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information searched out by the information search means into a speech signal and outputting the signal to the speech control means, the speech signal from the speech conversion means being transmitted to the terminal by the speech control means, and packet control means for transmitting image/character information of the information searched by the information search means to the terminal by packet communication.

IN THE CLAIMS:

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1. (Amended) An information search system characterized by comprising:
a terminal having a speech communication function and packet communication function; and
a center for selectively performing speech communication and packet communication with said terminal,
said center including
speech control means for performing speech communication with said terminal during execution of packet communication by said terminal,
speech recognition means for recognizing a speech signal received by said speech control means and sent from said terminal,
information search means for searching for information on the basis of the speech information recognized by said speech recognition means,
speech conversion means for converting the speech information of the information searched out by said information search means into a speech signal and outputting

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